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PERMISSION FOR TRADE FAIR TO GERMAN COMPANY
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether India Trade Promotion Organisation has granted permission to a German firm to organise a trade fair in New Delhi by violating the rules and regulations;

(b) if so, whether such action of ITPO has jeopardised the efforts of Indian Firm Export Promotion Council for Handicrafts in promoting the handicrafts industry in the overseas market; and

(c) if so, the action being taken against ITPO for violation of rules of allowing the permission to organise said trade fair?

Answer

MINISTER OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY (SHRI MURASOLI MARAN)

(a) to (c) No Sir, India Trade Promotion Organisation (ITPO) planned in 1999 the holding to Ambiente India Fair alongwith Heimtexil-Tex-Styles India fair from October 5-8, 2000 at Pragati Maidan in association with Messe Frankfurt Trade Fairs India Pvt. Ltd., Subsequently, Export Promotion Council for Handicrafts (EPCH) made an application for holding Indian Handicrafts and Giftware Fai (Autumn Fair). In fact, the EPCH was given permission to organise the fair as a special case in the interest of Handicrafts sector.